

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 81 – SB 262

January 27, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) to share a motor vehicle accident report relating to a guest's use of state parks with the following individuals:

- A person named in the motor vehicle accident report;
- An agent, legal representative, or attorney of any person or property owner named in motor vehicle accident report, with certification of permission from the person the agent, legal representative, or attorney represents;
- The owner of any real property listed in the report; or
- Any person or entity currently authorized by law to obtain motor vehicle records, as specified in this legislation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Currently, TDEC shares motor vehicle accident reports only after receiving express authorization from the state park guest named in any such report.
- Removing the confidentiality of such reports will eliminate the necessity of staff requesting such authorization prior to sharing any such reports. A reduction in staff will not occur as a result of this legislation.
- It is assumed that passage of this legislation will not significantly increase the number of reports delivered. The majority of reports are currently distributed through electronic means; therefore, there will not be a significant increase in state expenditures due to any possible increase in printing.
- Based on information provided by TDEC, there is no associated fee for TDEC staff to provide such report to authorized parties; therefore, there will be no significant increase in revenue to state government.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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